# CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER NUMBER 25 REINSTATEMENT OF FIRE SUPPRESSION TACTICS (S-336) INTO THE NWCG CURRICULUM

## **BACKGROUND**

The NWCG Training Working Team approved removal of the Fire Suppression Tactics (S-336) training course from the NWCG training curriculum on November 11, 1993. The course was removed to reduce redundancy because the components and skills taught in that course were incorporated into other courses. S-336 has been retained in the Publications Management System (PMS) due to its continued use in the field but it is not on the NWCG course revision schedule nor is it a required course for ICS positions.

## **CURRENT STATUS**

Recent discussion with the Geographic Area Training Officers and with field units has illustrated that incident management personnel and trainers in incident management believe that S-336 is a valuable training tool and should be reinstated into the NWCG training curriculum allowing for adequate revisions and stocking in the PMS to meet user needs.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The National Fire and Aviation Training Support Group Leader recommends that Fire Suppression Tactics (S-336) be reinstated into the NWCG course curriculum and be revised in the FY 01 - FY 02 revision cycle.

# **ACTION REQUIRED**

Upon approval of this recommendation, reinstate Fire Suppression Tactics (S-336) into the NWCG course curriculum and put on the revision schedule.

APPROVED:

Chair, Training Working Team

# CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER NUMBER 26 NUMBERING OF ALL COURSES IN THE PMS 310-1

#### **BACKGROUND**

There are several courses referenced in the Publication Management System's "Widland Fire Qualification Subsystem Guide" (PMS 310-1) that have no number designator assigned to them. This has created some confusion in discussions related to those courses and in the inclusion of those courses in the computerized Incident Qualifications System (IQS).

## **CURRENT STATUS**

In recent discussions with the Incident Operations System Working Team (IOSWT) and the personnel working with the IQS, the NWCG Training Working Team (TWT) has recognized the need to number all courses referenced in the PMS 310-1.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The National Fire and Aviation Training Support Group (NFATSG) at the National Interagency Fire Center recommends that the following courses be numbered as follows:

COURSE TITLE	COURSE NUMBER
Standards for Survival	S-132
Look-up, Look-down, Look-around	S-133
LCES	S-134
Facilitative Instructor	M-410
Interagency Aviation Safety Management	M-471
Fire in Ecosystem Management	M-580
Fire Program Management	M-581
Fire Cause Determination for First Responders	P-130

These course numbers are in adherence to the established NWCG "Course Development and Format Standards". There are two courses mentioned in the 310-1 that due to the agency specific nature of the courses the NFATSG does not recommend numbering. These are "Contract Administration" and "Aerial Photo Interpretation".

# **ACTION REQUIRED**

Upon approval of this recommendation, these courses will be referred to by the identified course numbers.

APPROVED:

Chair, Training Working Team

# CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER NUMBER 27 NUMBERING OF DISPATCH COURSES

#### BACKGROUND

Curriculum Issue Paper Number 20 (09/23/98) stated that the numbering of dispatch courses should be changed when they are revised to more accurately follow the established numbering scheme. Issue Paper 20 established the following changes. "Entry Level Dispatcher" would be renumbered at revision from D-105 to D-110 and "Dispatch Recorder" would be renumbered from D-110 to D-210.

## **CURRENT STATUS**

Neither course has been revised at this time so both courses remain D-105 and D-110 respectively.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

The Training Working Team's Dispatch Training Steering Committee has recommended that "Dispatch Recorder" remain D-110. The Committee states that "Dispatch Recorder" is the first in the sequence of expanded dispatch courses and is an entry level course. The committee also recommends that if "Entry Level Dispatcher" is to be renumbered it be renumbered D-111. The Dispatch Training Steering Committee and the dispatch community will review the current D-105 ("Entry Level Dispatcher") over the next year to determine if the course will be recommended for deletion from the NWCG curriculum or recommended for revision.

# **ACTION REQUIRED**

Upon approval of this recommendation, these courses will be referred to by the identified course numbers.

APPROVED:

Chair, Training Working Team